

because they are already covered by statute in X-rays for dentistry. Also podiatry is not exempted from the bill but has a separate 15 hour course and exam that they'd have to pass focused in on podiatry, and again, podiatrists do ankle and foot work. Ultrasound is not included in this amendment and that's the main thing on X-rays. In addition we have some additional language dealing with asbestos which is in the underlying bill, LB 406, that some concerns have been expressed to us as the bill was advanced off General File. This amendment is included to deal with those concerns. We also deal with the timing on preadmission screening. The underlying bill has an amendment that deals with delaying the prescreening program that we have in place for nursing home admissions and this makes sure that the effective dates coincide and don't end up having a problem there. And also on a bill that we passed, I think it was last year or the year before, dealing with professional counselors, we delay for one year a certification requirement in terms of applying for certification so that there are ability for more internships. We've had a problem come before the committee in that regard and it is taken care of with this. These are considered rather minor cleanup amendments and I would be happy to answer any questions on those. With that I'd be asking your support for this amendment, be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Wesely. Senator Coordsen would like to announce that there are five seniors here from Fairmont High School with their teacher. They are in the north balcony. Would you stand and be recognized, please. And just leaving are 40 fourth graders from Mockingbird Elementary School in Omaha with their teacher. They are from Senator Abboud's district. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Wesely would move to amend the amendment. Senator, AM1190, found on page 1371 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Madam President. As I mentioned before, among the elements of this amendment before you deals with the timing of the delay on the preadmission screening. That was to take effect July 1 of this year. We're delaying it for two years and the timing on that and the language in the bill wasn't quite correct and we found an additional subsection that needs to be referenced correctly in order to have this delay occur. So this is an extremely technical amendment